REMARKS/ARGUMENTS

The Applicants originally submitted Claims 1-28 in the application. The Examiner has indicated that Claims 15-28 are allowable. In response, the Applicants have cancelled Claims 1-14 without prejudice or disclaimer and amended Claims 15, 17-18, 22 and 24-25. The amended claims do not introduce new matter but correct an antecedent basis problem and further define the claims to place them in a condition for issuance. For example, the amended claims, such as Claim 15, more clearly define that the elements (such as a precoder) of the claims are configured to perform a function (to precondition) before performance of the function (that preconditions). Accordingly, Claims 15-28 are currently pending in the application.

In view of the foregoing amendment and remarks, the Applicants now see all of the Claims currently pending in this application to be in condition for allowance and therefore earnestly solicit a Notice of Allowance for Claims 15-28. The Applicants request the Examiner to telephone the undersigned attorney of record at (972) 480-8800 if such would further or expedite the prosecution of the present application.

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